

# Territorial Topics

## SANTA FE.

From the New Mexican.

Mrs. E. H. Ince is expected home from New Bernillo in a few days, where she was called on account of the death of a relative.

It is reported that the George W. Knobel property on Upper Palace avenue has been sold by the Knobel bondsmen to W. N. Townsend for the sum of \$1,000.

Juan Ortega has resigned his position as clerk with the Pioneer drug company and has been succeeded by Joseph Sanchez, who was formerly connected with this pharmacy.

Mrs. J. J. Davis of Manhattan avenue is quite ill. The condition of the patient's health has been poor for some time and on account of her advanced age fears are entertained for her recovery.

V. D. Lorenzo is in receipt of a letter from Lieutenant John W. Campagnoli at Fort Bragg, Michigan, tendering of Santa Fe, stating that he has been granted a leave of absence and will come to the Capital city to spend several weeks. Lieutenant Campagnoli, who enlisted in the army in this city, is expected to arrive here tomorrow.

Albert Albert, son of Judge A. J. Albert, left for Mesilla Park, where he will attend the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Robert Tansill of Chiswick, who has been on the Pease forest reserve for some time, is expected here within a few days to visit friends.

A horse, driven by John V. Conway, was frightened by a Santa Fe engine near the head depot and started to run away. Before Mr. Conway could get the animal under control it demolished the shafts of the buggy in which he was seated.

Scott Wilson returned from the Pease forest reserve, making the trip over on the train and down the Santa Fe canyon, nearly thirty miles, in four and one-half hours. He spent a week in camp with Messrs. Tansill and Nixon and other friends, who are on the headquarters of the Pease. The boys had fine sport and trout were plentiful.

## LAS CRUCES.

From the Republican.

Thursman Hutton left on Saturday's train for Virginia, where he will again enter the Vanderbilt Training school. Chas. L. Post, of Mesilla Park, has been appointed United States deputy mineral surveyor for the district of New Mexico.

Marlin Lohman, a member of the board of equalization, has left for a tour of inspection through the counties of Luna, Sierra and Grant, for the purpose of examining the assessment rolls.

Corrado Ross, a little Mexican boy, died of blood poisoning on Monday morning last. The cause of his disease was from being bitten by a snake of some kind while swimming in the main aqueduct.

Mother Pravedos, superior general of the Loretto academy, has answered the petition of Las Cruces citizens by replacing Sister Vestina in the Visitation academy of this place.

We were shown some specimens of onions and beets by Prof. J. J. Vernon of the agricultural experiment station, which were raised by pump irrigation. The onions are nice and large, weighing something over a pound and a quarter. The beets are large and well developed.

Luther Foster and John May received the appointment as vice presidents of the Twenty-fourth New Mexico Territorial fair to be held in Albuquerque in October. The appointment is a good one. Both of these gentlemen are representative citizens of the "set-back" type of New Mexico. Circumstances are rather against them here this season on account of the scarcity of water, but depend on it, they will make the best possible showing.

## SAN MARCIAL.

From the Bee.

Jay Watkins and his sister, Miss May, left for Spokane to reside.

Mrs. W. E. Brown came in from her ranch and went to Socorro to remain some little time.

It is reported that a deal is on for the transfer of all A. E. Roullet's interests in the Victoria Land & Cattle company.

Rev. Mr. Allison returned to Las Cruces. His logic and brilliancy as an orator pleased all who attended the revival meetings in the Methodist church.

While visiting recently L. M. Lasky secured estimates on material used in the construction of telephone systems. He is figuring on a line between San Marcial and Rosedale, as well as a local exchange.

J. H. James, well known citizen of San Marcial, left for Kelly, where he has accepted a position as shift boss in the Kelly test and mine. Mr. James leaves many friends who will regret to hear of his departure, but he lived six years, will be delighted to have him again in their midst.

## SOCORRO.

From the Chieftain.

Fred Baldwin was in town from the Taill ranch.

Mrs. P. J. Bayne was in Albuquerque the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvan Ahlert became the parents of a bright girl baby.

The report became current in Socorro a day or two ago that Fred Baldwin was dead. Happily, the report was unfounded. Mr. Baldwin has gone to California.

Mrs. W. D. Martin and son, Mrs. Newcomb, returned from Santa Fe. During their absence the ladies enjoyed a drive over the scenic road between Santa Fe and Las Vegas.

They are enthusiastic over the beauties of the road.

Mayor Anselmo G. Ahlert has received the sad announcement of the death of his niece, Mrs. Columba Chavez, wife of Teodoro Chavez of Plantita, Bernalillo county. Deceased had been an invalid for a year. She left no children.

## KESLER HURT.

Ed. M. Kesler met with a bad accident while at work on some pumping machinery for R. C. Patterson near Polvadera, says the Socorro Chieftain. Mr. Kesler fell about fifteen feet, striking on his back and injuring his spine, besides receiving several bad bruises. Mr. Patterson brought Mr. Kesler home on a mattress. The injured man is experiencing terrible suffering all the fifteen miles. Doctor Swisher, who was called to attend the case, thinks that while dangerous the injury will not prove to be permanent.

## DEATHS AT ROSWELL.

Clay Leake, a young man who came to Roswell two weeks ago from his home at the residence of C. W. Brown, of typhoid fever, Harvey Leake, a brother of the deceased, of Canon City, Colo., was with him when he passed away.

Mrs. C. L. Hilday died of consumption. She had been battling with the dread disease for years. The remains were interred to Roswell. She is survived by her husband and several sons and daughters.

Randall Clark, aged 50 years, died of pneumonia. The remains were sent to the home of the deceased at Portales, N. M.

## CATTLE VALUATION IS OUT OF PROPORTION.

W. C. McDonald, of Carrizozo, president of the New Mexico Cattle Growers' association, through W. C. Barnes, secretary of the association, has made application before the Territorial Board of Equalization for a reduction of the valuation of cattle in the territory. This application will come up for hearing before the Territorial Board of Equalization at its meeting at Santa Fe Monday, Sept. 12th.

The present valuation of cattle is \$12 per head. Stockmen declare that any number of cattle in the territory can be bought for less than that amount. They point out that where sheep are valued at only \$1 per head, they cannot be bought at less than \$1.50 to \$2. The matter will be strongly presented before the board, and it is hoped that a reduction in value can be secured.

## NEW HOTEL FOR LAS VEGAS.

Las Vegas is to have a new \$100,000 hotel. A company composed of the wealthiest men of the city has been formed to promote the enterprise and now gives out the information that the plans have been carried so far as to give positive assurance that the hotel will be built. A large tract in the very heart of the city has been secured for the building.

The San Miguel and First National banks, the electric light company, the water company and Gross, Kelly & Co. have each subscribed \$5,000 and enough has been assured to make the cash subscriptions \$20,000.

## PEEBLE HEART CAUSED RESIGNATION.

James C. Conville, who was elected city clerk of Santa Fe last April, today resigned his position. He was in poor health and in attendance of the duties of the office. It is understood that his resignation will be accepted at the council meeting and that Francisco Delgado will be appointed to fill the vacancy.

## NEW MILLER COMPANY.

A military company was organized at the corner house, Roswell, Saturday night. The organization starts off with forty-one members, and it is expected that there will be fifty members before the first of next week. Major Calvo was elected captain. The company will be attached to the territorial national guard.

## DEMING.

From the Graphic.

Mrs. A. J. Clark and daughters left Saturday for St. Louis where they will spend some time viewing the great exposition.

Another flying outfit passed through town Saturday. The fine condition of the ranges now is causing much activity in this line.

Judge Pennington is giving the post-office a general overhauling, changing the mail boxes and improving the appearance and convenience generally.

The flying schools opened yesterday, with a full quota of teachers under the direction of Prof. Dickey, and the outlook is for a very best successful year.

Miss Nellie Deemer, who was so fortunate to win the Landover World's Fair contest, left Monday for St. Louis where she will spend a few weeks seeing the sights of the great exposition and the metropolis of Missouri.

John H. Braggs, D. C. McMillan, A. N. White, Hyman Abraham, W. R. Peters, Eugene Conner, A. R. Goodell, Robert H. Boulware and William E. Lorentz comprised a party of Knights Templar that left last week on a tour of the country of that order now being held at San Francisco.

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The schools are so crowded in the third ward that the board of education will have to provide another school room in the near future.

Miss Anita Reed, daughter of Sheriff Alexander Reed, of Teller, Ariz., is in the city for a several days' visit with her uncle, Attorney Benjamin M. Reed and family.

Oswald Dignos has accepted a temporary position as driver with the local office of the Wells Fargo Express company, relieving Charles Waeber, who is on the venture of the United States grand jury.

A camping party composed of H. E. Higgins, M. C. Miller, Warren Raymonds and several others left for an outing of several days in the Santa Fe mountains. The party took with them a number of horses as pack animals and expect to go up in the mountains about thirty miles.

Mrs. B. W. Robbins and son, Howard, were passengers over the Denver & Rio Grande railroad for Denver, where they will spend a week or ten days visiting friends. They will go from Denver to St. Louis to spend three weeks attending the exposition. Later they will go east to New York City, Rochester, Syracuse and Niagara Falls to spend eight weeks on a pleasure trip.

From the Independent.

Miss Phyllis Usher left last week for Alma, where she has been engaged to teach the public school.

A. B. Laird has been temporarily appointed to the position of city marshal and is acting in that capacity.

Labor day was quite generally observed in Silver City, business, as usual, being suspended. The public schools closed for the day.

Full roundups are at work in different parts of the county, and the cattlemen are very busy in consequence.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wilson and his daughter, who have been visiting Mr. Wilson's parents at Santa Fe, Ariz., returned home Friday.

Miss Sarah Hinkle and Miss Alice Bailey were arrivals on Friday's train from Loma Beach, Cal., where they enjoyed a three weeks' vacation.

Miss Blanche Casey left Thursday evening for Lordsburg, where she will teach in the public schools during the term which opened yesterday.

Willie Thompson died at his home in "The Valley" at 11 o'clock, after an illness of several weeks. The cause of his death was tuberculosis of the spine.

Mrs. James C. W. Marriott and James A. Shipley left last week for the coast, where they will remain until the first of the year visiting relatives and friends in different places.

Conductor H. F. Griffith, wife and daughter, returned Sunday from a vacation trip just in Kansas City, Mo., South Haven, Mich., and a visit to the St. Louis exposition.

William E. Lorenz left Thursday evening for San Francisco to attend the Knights Templar convocation, after which he will return to Los Angeles, where he will remain and locate permanently at some point in southern California. Mr. Lorenz has been a resident of Silver City for many years and his departure is a source of general regret.

Grant Fenced and Trouble is Feared.

There is danger of serious trouble among the settlers living near and on the Grant, near Las Vegas. Miles and miles of wire fences have been built and hosts have been removed.

Harold Romero has returned to Las Vegas, bringing with him Aureliana Reed, who is charged with cutting fences. The Reed grant has been leased to entrepreneurs and fenced. The stockmen, who have been using it as a free range and also some squatters, have been forced to quit.

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## WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN REPORTS

Santa Fe, N. M., Sept. 6.—The temperature has averaged about a degree a day above normal, although the week closes rather cool. Local showers continue quite generally over the territory, mostly light and somewhat less frequent, but heavy in a few localities. Hail with a heavy rain storm at White Oaks on the 2nd, did considerable damage to houses and destroyed gardens and fruits. As a whole the weather conditions have been very favorable and crops and grass continue in excellent condition. Cool nights have become quite common and some northern and higher altitude stations have escaped frost, especially on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Grass on the ranges, as a rule, is fine and stock of all kinds is thrifty. A few localities, however, report drier and short grass, which is drying out rapidly and gives poor promise for winter feed, this is especially true in parts of Colfax, San Miguel, Lincoln, Chavez, Otero and Grant counties. Haymaking continues and the harvest of the third crop of alfalfa is beginning in northern counties, with good yield.

Grains have caused some filling of late rains, corn and beans in parts of Lincoln county, but generally those crops are growing finely. Corn is filling well and even where planted too late for ears, will make an abundance of fodder. Considerable cantel is reported in northern Valencia. Fruits and vegetables have been much benefited by the frequent showers and are plentiful in the markets.

The following extracts are taken from the reports of correspondents:

Albuquerque—Henry Grant—Frequent rains during the past ten days and grass is the best ever seen in this section; crops are very good and yielding better than for a long time past on the "Chama"; all our people are cheerful over the prospect.

Albuquerque—D. R. Weather Bureau—Crops in splendid condition, above the average yield; highest temperature 84 degrees, lowest 57 degrees, rainfall 1.45 inch; latter part of week rather cloudy, with good showers.

Artesia—A. M. Richardson—Previous week hot and dry; grass browned and some of the late sugar cane, corn and beans showing effects of the dryness and heat.

Aurora—J. C. Lobero—No rain the last week, except light shower; very hot days, cool nights; crops look good—barley, oats, potatoes and hay are principal crops in this locality.

Bloomfield—W. A. Ballinger—Two good showers, vegetables, corn, etc., doing nicely; only danger now is from early frost; third crop of alfalfa now ready for harvest.

Capitan—May Sheehan—Nights cool, during past week showers night; the first grass good in places; stock in fine condition.

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The whole country is still getting drier; third cutting of alfalfa near harvest; corn filling well; native grass good everywhere; some of the crops running every day and roads beginning to get dirty, cattle fine and fat; highest temperature 85 degrees, lowest 49 degrees, rainfall 0.50 inch. Showers continue and farmers beginning to wish for dry weather for threshing; crops doing well, but considerably short in corn, which was too badly damaged by early dryness to make a crop, but will give abundant fodder; barley heading and doing finely; native hay being cut and yield will be fairly good.

Verde—H. W. Adams—Showers every day in vicinity; haymaking progressing satisfactorily; highest temperature 79 degrees, lowest 41 degrees, rainfall 0.66 inch.

White Oaks—John A. Brown—Good rain on the 1st, and heavy rain with hail on the 2d, which damaged a good many houses and destroyed gardens and fruit.

CHARLES E. JENNEY, Section Director.

## FROM MESILLA PARK

EXPERIMENT STATION INVESTIGATING THE UNDERFLOW OF THE RIVER.

Special Correspondence.

Mesilla Park, Sept. 5.—The work that the Experiment station is doing in the line of investigating the underflow of the Rio Grande valley is still attracting much attention. Some time ago the department at Washington (then) to cooperate in the pump tests and has been doing so for some two or three months. During the past week Mr. Chas. R. Shikler, in charge of the investigation of underground waters for the geological survey, spent a day visiting the experiment wells on the college farm and a number of wells that have been located in this vicinity. He was very much impressed with the exhibitions made by the college plant, especially. The fact that a flow of over 1,000 gallons per minute can be obtained and held for two or three days without diminution is quite an interesting and attractive thing in itself. The situation of the farm lands in the Rio Grande valley is no doubt, as in the pumping plants. From investigations made thus far it would seem that the whole of this valley throughout New Mexico has quite an underground flow. Mr. Shikler has offered to cooperate with the college in the determining of the condition of the underground waters, now it is affected by dry spells, by the pumping going on roundabout, and by varying supply in the river. This will be accomplished by a series of wells running at intervals across the valley for a distance of three miles, and another series running at right angles for the same distance. Readings are to be made regularly two and three times a week and a record of the rise and fall of the water in these wells will be kept and tabulated. When the test is completed it will be interesting reading for residents of New Mexico as well as those of other states.

The Agricultural college opens its doors Monday, the 5th, for 1904-5. The prospects for a good year is very encouraging. Never before have there been so many requests for reservations in the dormitories and different boarding places. The girls' dormitory, which was enlarged by sixteen rooms, is a handsome building and will accommodate a large number of girls. The boys' club house has been thoroughly overhauled and greatly improved for the accommodation of the large number of boys who have written in or come.

A number of students have already come in. John D. Hughes, of Albuquerque; Kent Lockwood, Lake Valley; Archie and Uly Brown, from Gallup, are among the number.

There are a number of changes in this year's corps of instructors. Miss Martha A. Bennett succeeds Mrs. Alice L. Douglas at the piano. Mrs. Douglas resigned last spring and expects to spend the winter in the east. Mr. Elmer Chute takes the place of Mr. Stanley MacGregor in the engineering department. Mr. MacGregor enters the Bureau School of Technology to do special work.

Criminal Charges Filed.

Heuben Taz, who was one of the children's helpers at Needles, and who went out in the late strike, was arrested at San Bernardino a few days ago. There was no complaint made at first, but the young man was not held, after two charges were made against him, one with evading payment of railroad fare and one of resisting an officer. It seems that one of the officers stationed at the Santa Fe railroad station saw Taz and ordered him to leave. For reasons yet unexplained he was arrested and while he was being taken to jail was struck over the head by the officer. The story told by the officer and the one told by Mr. Taz differ greatly, and the result has been the entering of the criminal charges.

Mr. Taz was in San Bernardino visiting with his parents. While in Needles he was known as a quiet, law-abiding young man—Needles News.

## GILA MONSTER.

One of These Pets Sent to General Torrance of Pennsylvania.

The Pittsburgh Gazette of August 31 has the following say of the Gila monster expressed from Santa Fe ten days ago: "Either Riverside or Highland Park is to receive a new addition to its zoo that will awaken the most lively interest. It is none other than the dreaded and poisonous lizard of the arid deserts of the southwest, the Gila monster. The reptile was consigned to Francis J. Torrance, president of the New Mexico Pulp and Iron company and vice-president of the Santa Fe Central railway company. It was sent to Mr. Torrance by Frank Dibert of Santa Fe, his brother-in-law, and was secured by Thomas Beebe, who has a ranch in New Mexico in which Mr. Torrance is interested. The Gila monster is

called scientifically "holodermis-spectem," and is said to be even worse than that. Among the natives of New Mexico it is claimed that the reptile can give the rattler and the tarantula cards and spades and kill its man while others are turning tricks. The one received by Mr. Torrance is of unusual size, measuring nearly two feet in length. The Gila monster took its meals on the trip on eggs, but that is no sign that it was not hungry enough to take a few bites out of any one that dared to get close enough. Mr. Torrance says that he will present the creature to one of the two zoos.

## A BABY CAMEL.

Born in an Express Car While in Transit From New York to Omaha.

A baby camel was born in a Wells Fargo express car on the Rock Island railroad near Des Moines, Iowa, the other day. Its mother is one of a herd of twelve that Campbell Brothers, the circus men, imported from Asia, and was en route to the western headquarters of the show when the event occurred. The baby tipped the scales at thirty-seven and a quarter pounds. It is frisky as a cat and although it has no claims to beauty, is greatly admired and petted by the children who attended the circus. The Campbell Brothers have this year one of the largest menageries in this country that has taken years to collect and gather together. They will give two exhibitions at Albuquerque, on Saturday, September 17.

MOST SACRED OF JEWISH FESTIVITIES.

All over the world today preparations are being made to celebrate the Jewish new year, which begins September 9. This ancient anniversary to which so much significance is attached by the Talmudic writers, opens the solemn season which ends with Yom Kippur, or the day of atonement, September 10.

In reference to this solemn season and its significance, Rabbi Friedman of Denver, says:

"The most sacred of the cycle of days among the Jews begins September 9 and closes September 19. The New Year, or Rosh Hashanah, begins the season which closes with the day of atonement, or Yom Kippur.

"This holy season is closely observed by Jews throughout the world who count themselves of the people of Israel. He who violates the solemn season has severed the tie that binds him to his fathers.

"The New Year is a day of remembrance—a rehearsal of the deeds of past days with the sacred determination to amend the weaknesses of the past. The Jew's history since before the world and the inscrutable Providence that has guided and guarded him during 4,000 years of stress and storm.

"As the years unfold the solemn season opening with the New Year has lost none of its power. The Jew today, as was the Jew of the past, is convinced that he has a duty to perform in the economy of humanity. Besides the moral law, the law of love, justice and righteousness has not yet been universalized, or at any right given full sway.

"The trumpet or shofar heralds the dawn of the New Year. It is sounded in ancient days to announce the approach of each month. Gradually, this means of notification fell into disuse, but the trumpet has always been retained to signal the advent of the New Year. It is a good to the indifferent and spurs on the earnest to greater activity.

"The New Year is called a day of judgment because the God of heaven and earth passes judgment upon the worth and work of every individual. The days intervening between the New Year and the Day of Atonement are called days of penitence, during which the faithful Jew introspects his conduct, searches his failings and resolves on the Day of Atonement to lead a better life during the coming year.

"New Year day occurs on the first day of Tishrei, the seventh month. This year is 5665, supposed to date from the creation of the world according to the fancy of the rabbis. The Day of Atonement is devoted to fasting and prayer. The individual, by his sincere regret for past errors, endeavors to be at one with God. Words are insufficient to establish broken relationships; deeds alone must speak.

"On this last night, too, rabbinical poetry has it, it is decreed, whether war or peace, plenty or poverty,